

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Brady et al. Attorney Docket No.: 9386.17711A

Serial No.: 10/036,732 Examiner: A. Navarro

Filed: December 21, 2001 Group Art Unit: 1645

Title: Devices, Systems, and Methods for Reducing Levels of Pro-Inflammatory or Anti-

Inflammatory Stimulators or Mediators in the Blood Generated as a Result of

Extracorporeal Blood Processing

Response to Restriction Requirement

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

This Amendment responds to the Office Action mailed October 2, 2003, for which a shortened one-month period of response was set.

An automatic four-month extension of time to respond, up to and including March 2, 2004, is respectfully requested. The requisite fee accompanies this Amendment.

Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, the invention defined in claims 47 to 80 (Examiner's Group II).

Respectfully Submitted,

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

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[] other than a small entity.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.8(a))

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	a Notice of Appeal or filing and the timely-filed response place	I/or entry of an additional amendment afte	on of time is required to permit filing and/or entry of r expiration of the shortened statutory period unless Of course, if a Notice of Appeal has been filed within December 10, 1985 (1061 O.G. 34-35).
NOTE:	See 37 CFR 1.645 for exten reexamination proceedings.	sions of time in interference proceeding	s and 37 CFR 1.550(c) for extensions of time in
3.	The proceedings herei	n are for a patent application an	d the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply
		(complete (a) or (b) as application	able)
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	one month two months	\$ 110.00 \$ 420.00	\$ 55.00 \$ 210.00
[]	three months	\$ 950.00	\$ 475.00
įxį́	four months	\$1480.00	\$ 740.00
	five months	\$2010.00	\$1005.00
		Fee: \$ <u>740.00</u>	
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Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

(b)

FEE FOR CLAIMS

The fee for claims (37 CFR 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below: 4.

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee (Small Entity)	Additional Fee (Large Entity)
Total Claims 37 CFR 1.16(c)*	55	-130 =	(75)	x \$ 9.00	\$0	\$0
Independent Claims (37 CFR 1.16(b)**	5	-10 =	(5)	x \$ 43.00	\$0	\$0
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent claim(s) if any (37 CFR 1.16(d))				\$145.00	\$0	\$0
Total Additional Fee					\$0	\$0

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The "Highest No. Previously Paid For" (Total or indep.) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

"After final rejection or action (S 1.113) amendments may be made cancelling claims or complying with any requirement of form which has been made." 37 CFR S 1.116(a) (emphasis added). WARNING:

(complete (c) or (d) as applicable)

	(c)	[X]	No additional fee for claims is required.
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	(d)	[]	Total additional fee for claims required \$
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FEE DEFICIENCY

NOTE:

If there is a fee deficiency and there is no authorization to charge an account, additional fees are necessary to cover the additional time consumed in making up the original deficiency. If the maximum, six-month period has expired before the deficiency is noted and corrected, the application is held abandoned. In those instances where authorization to charge is included, processing delays are encountered in returning the papers to the PTO Finance Branch in order to apply these charges prior to action on the cases. Authorization to charge the deposit account for any fee deficiency should be checked. See the Notice of April 7, 1986, (1065 O.G. 31-33).

6. [X] If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. <u>06-2360</u>.

AND/ØR

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